

CASE: 0867

RE-INTERVIEWED A THIRD WITNESS PREVIOUSLY QUESTIONED DURING THE 20TH JFA WHO WAS ALSO UNABLE TO POSITIVELY DETERMINE THE RACE OF EITHER DECEASED U.S. SOLDIER HE REPORTEDLY VIEWED AT THE SAME BATTLEFIELD. ON 5 MARCH, IE3 SURVEYED THE SITE WHERE THE FIRST TWO WITNESSES ALLEGEDLY DISCOVERED THE BODY OF THE SINGLE DECEASED U.S. SERVICEMAN. THE SITE CONTAINS NO EVIDENCE OF GRAVES OR HUMAN BIOLOGICAL REMAINS. ON 10 AND 20 MAR 93, IE3 ALSO INTERVIEWED THREE EMPLOYEES OF THE RUBBER PLANTATION, AND CANVASSED LOCAL RESIDENTS IN THE VICINITY BUT WAS UNABLE TO COLLECT ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CASE. (REF 7)

7 August 1993

FROM 15 THROUGH 18 JUN 93, THE PCIT INVESTIGATED CASE 0867 IN SONG BE PROVINCE. THE TEAM INTERVIEWED TWO WITNESSES WHO PROVIDED SIMILAR TESTIMONY OF AN INCIDENT INVOLVING A MAJOR BATTLE WHICH TOOK PLACE APPROXIMATELY EIGHT KILOMETERS NORTHEAST OF LONG HOA VILLAGE. AS THE BATTLE DREW TO A CLOSE, THE BODIES OF TWO AMERICANS, KILLED IN THE FIGHTING, WERE LEFT BEHIND ON THE BATTLEFIELD. THE BODIES WERE LATER DISCOVERED BY LOCAL AREA GUERRILLAS BUT WERE NOT RECOVERED. ON 30 JUN 93 AND 1 JUL 93 THE PCIT INVESTIGATED CASE 0867 AND OTHERS IN TAY NINH PROVINCE. NO WITNESSES FROM TRAI DEN HAMLET, PHU KHUONG DISTRICT, TAY NINH PROVINCE WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THIS CASE COULD BE FOUND. VIETNAMESE OFFICIALS IN SONG BE PROVINCE DENIES THE EXISTENCE OF ANY SUPPORTING ARCHIVAL DOCUMENTATION ASSOCIATED WITH CASE 0867. (REF 8)

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 7 OCTOBER 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 0870-0-01 (ACCNO 5624) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: OGDEN, HOWARD JR (NMN) Date Status assigned: 18 Oct 1967

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	#
Service	MARINE CORPS	Sex	MALE	Blood type	A +
Grade	E3	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	RUDDY
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	2312138	Height	73 in / 1.85 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	14 Aug 1948	Weight	147 lb / 66.6 kg	Duty pos	GRENADIER
Home State	NEBRASKA	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: GROUND SITE
UTM: 48QZC175975
Lat/Long: 161419N / 1075813E
Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Military Region: 1
Mission Province: THUA THIEN-HUE
(formerly): THUA THIEN
Mission District: PHU LOC
Mission Date: 18 Oct 1967
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: Unknown location.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Apr 93, Jul 92
Investigations: Apr 93
Surveys: Apr 93
Additional Information Obtained: Sep 90, Jan 91
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: GROUND SITE

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type:	GRND	Serial:	\$
Crash Type:	None	Engine Type:	
Call Sign:	\$	1 Serial:	
Year:	\$	2 Serial:	

===== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY =====

= Item has been researched but data cannot be obtained.
\$ = Item is not applicable to this case.
@ or Blank = Data for item is unknown or not available.

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

11 December 1975

ON 18 OCTOBER 1967 LCPL HOWARD OGDEN JR., WAS SERVING WITH THE U.S. MARINE CORPS IN SOUTH VIETNAM. LCPL OGDEN AND HIS SQUAD WERE SENT TO ASSIST IN THE EXTRACTION OF A RECONNAISSANCE UNIT UNDER ENEMY PRESSURE. WHILE LCPL OGDEN WAS COVERING THE WITHDRAWAL OF HIS SQUAD AND THE RECONNAISSANCE UNIT, HE WAS WOUNDED, IS REPORTED TO HAVE DIED, AND WAS LEFT BEHIND DUE TO ENEMY PRESSURE. (REF 1)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSTILE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITES INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. LCPL OGDEN IS CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

=== REFERENCES ===

11 December 1975

REFERENCES USED: <1> RPT CO G, 2D BN, 7TH MAR, 9 NOV 67. <2> JCRC LNO 111215Z MAR 91. <3> 010404Z JUN 93 CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

12 August 1992

CASE NARRATIVE 0870 WAS PASSED TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT FOLLOWING THE 30-31 JULY 1992 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING.

16 April 1993

CASE NARRATIVE FOR 0870 WAS PASSED TO THE VIETNAMESE FOLLOWING THE 5-6 APR 93 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ===

8 April 1977

INCIDENT/LAST KNOWN LOCATION (ESTIMATED) CHANGED FROM YD 000 300 (PROV 01) TO ZC 175 975 (PROV 02) BASED ON LTR, CO G, 2 BN, 1 MARDIV, 9 NOV 67.

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=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

3 April 1991

DURING THE 13TH ITERATION, TWO WITNESSES PROVIDED THE TIME FRAME, GENERAL LOCATION, BRANCH OF SERVICE AND EXTREMELY LIMITED PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF A WOUNDED AMERICAN WHO DIED SHORTLY AFTER CAPTURE. THIS INFORMATION POSSIBLY CORRELATES TO EITHER REFNO 0870 OR REFNO 0780. (REF 2)

3 October 1993

ON 24 APR 93, INVESTIGATION ELEMENT TWO (IE2) INTERVIEWED TWO WITNESSES FOR CASE 0870 IN PHU LOC DISTRICT, THUA THIEN-HUE PROVINCE. NEITHER WITNESS COULD PROVIDE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT THE CASE. ON 25 APR 93, AN ELEMENT OF IE2 TRAVELED TO THE LAST KNOWN LOCATION (ZC175975) OF THE MISSING INDIVIDUAL AND CONDUCTED A SEARCH OF THE AREA WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. THERE WERE NO REMAINS OR POTENTIAL BURIAL SITES AT THE LOCATION. (REF 3)